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Paul Spor, Mine Manager Tintic Utah Metals LLC 15988 Silver Pass Road P.O. Box 51 Eureka, Utah 84628

Conditional Approval of Release Request, Tintic Utah Metals LLC., Burgin Mine, Re: M/049/009, Utah County, Utah

Dear Mr. Spor:

On November 8, 2001 the Division received your response to the Division's October 22, 2001, initial review document amending the Burgin Mine Permit. Included in this document was your written request (copy attached) for release of the following three areas from the Reclamation Contract Agreement. An on-site inspection of these areas was carried out on September 18, 2001 to process your request originally received August 14, 2001 (memo attached). A summary of the three areas inspected is as follows:

- 1) Hunter Shaft No disturbance has occurred in this area, as verified during our site inspection, so it can be released from the current reclamation contract.
- 2) Settling Ponds No disturbance occurred in this area for mine dewatering as proposed, as verified during our site inspection, so it can be released from the current reclamation contract.
- 3) Burgin Tailings Pond No disturbance has occurred in this wet tailings area as proposed, as verified during our site inspection, so it can be released from the current reclamation contract.

We foresee no present or future concerns regarding the release of these three areas and approve your request subject to the following condition:

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An updated topographic disturbed area map clearly outlining the location and boundary of these three areas must be provided. A map key with appropriate cross-hatching (or color coded) must be included that clarifies appropriate exclusion of the three areas from the approved permit area.

If you have any questions or concerns in this matter, please contact me at (801) 538-5286, or Tom Munson at 538-5321.

Sincerely, Mayne Hedberg

D. Wayne Hedberg Permit Supervisor

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Attachment: Inspection memo, copy of release request

Mary Ann Wright, DOGM Tom Munson, DOGM

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